

CHAMBERLAIN FIGHT TO BRING IN VOTE

Wilson Letter Stuns Most of His Party in State.

HOOVER MAY HELP WOOD

Many Supporters of Former Food Controller Seem to Turn to General With Favor.

Impetus is being given to the closing days of the primary campaign and a number of sensational developments have come to the surface in the past week. But candidates who have been vote-chasing through the state confess that there appears to be small interest displayed among the average citizens—the average citizen being defined as a man who kicks at the officers elected, but won't take the trouble to vote.

By long odds, the most startling development politically has been the Wilson letter to County Chairman Hamaker, which not only is an expression of the presidential disapproval of Senator Chamberlain's vote on the league of nations, with the lodge reservations, but is a forecast of what the fight will be at the San Francisco convention between Mr. Wilson and William Jennings Bryan.

Hoover Withdrawal Surprised.

Next in the sensational line was the unexpected withdrawal from the Oregon primary of Herbert Hoover, and his request that Oregon elect as delegates candidates who are friendly to a league of nations. The main effect of Mr. Hoover's withdrawal is to cause a realignment of his enthusiastic followers, for Mr. Hoover's withdrawal was for the purpose of enabling a concentration of support against Senator Johnson, who has not any love for a league of nations and whose following consists largely of all the men and women who are opposed to a league of nations.

In democratic circles the Wilson letter has had the effect of a bomb. In his desire to throw a brick at Senator Chamberlain, the president has apparently heaved a brick into the party and instead of simply sharpshooting the Oregon senators, the president evidently used a scatter-shot, for he hit, not less than Senator Chamberlain, but also a number of democratic senators who did not stick to the bitter end for Mr. Wilson's copy of the treaty of Versailles. Anyway, the president has hit a number of democratic senators who did not stick to the bitter end for Mr. Wilson's copy of the treaty of Versailles. Anyway, the president has hit a number of democratic senators who did not stick to the bitter end for Mr. Wilson's copy of the treaty of Versailles.

Letter Indicates Issue.

Viewed broadly, the Wilson letter is taken to mean that Mr. Wilson, if he can control the delegates at San Francisco, will insist on making the treaty of Versailles the campaign issue. Mr. Bryan has indicated that democratic senators to get a treaty even though they had to compromise. This places Mr. Wilson and Mr. Bryan at distinct variance. Also, it is common knowledge that in a democratic convention Mr. Bryan is almost always likely to be elected.

And this national aspect of the letter is being discussed by the democracy of Oregon. The following are the Chamberlain supporters and the champions of Mr. Wilson are Chamberlain's supporters. The Democrats declare that Senator Chamberlain is nominated next Friday by the democrats in the face of Mr. Wilson's letter. The reputation of Mr. Wilson's demand that his copy of the treaty of Versailles shall be put to the test among the voters of his own party in Oregon.

Republican Club Meets Tuesday.

The Republican club of Oregon will hold a banquet in the Tyrolean room of the Benson Tuesday evening, May 18, at 6:30, in behalf of the members of the club who are candidates for office. All the members are invited, as well as friends of the candidates. A musical programme is being prepared with some unusual features. Reservations can be made by calling the secretary at Main 4982.

J. H. RICE RESTING WELL

Hearing of Car Driver A. H. Beeson Set for Wednesday.

A. H. Beeson, 151 Grand avenue, North, who was arrested Friday on a charge of reckless driving after his machine struck and injured J. H. Rice, 8414 Woodcock avenue, will be given a hearing in municipal court Wednesday.

Beeson admitted to the police that he cut a corner at the intersection of Madison and First streets to avoid a protest at first. With the result that he suffered a broken wrist and a fractured shoulder blade; was released from the hospital at the St. Vincent's hospital yesterday.

PORTLAND ATTORNEY SEEKS SEAT IN LEGISLATURE.

Barge E. Leonard.

Barge E. Leonard, Portland attorney, who is seeking the republican nomination for representative from the 18th district, comprising Multnomah county, was born in Rochester, N. Y., attended the Northwestern university and was graduated from the University of Michigan in 1909, coming to Oregon to practice law. He won a commission in the second officers' training camp and served as an executive officer in the intelligence bureau of the western department. Upon his return from the service he was elected president of the Multnomah Bar association.

Mr. Leonard is a prominent Mason, Shriner and Elk, belongs to many clubs and has taken a prominent part in the organization of the American Legion in Portland.

Hoover Withdrawal Foreseen.

Comments on the announcement that Herbert Hoover withdrew from the Oregon campaign, Sanfield Macdonald says: "The expected has happened with the withdrawal of Herbert Hoover from the Oregon campaign. It has been evident to political observers

JUDGE McCOURT HAS NO USE FOR SLOGAN

Jurist Rests Candidacy on His Record in Office.

DEEDS, NOT WORDS, COUNT

Career of Circuit Court Presiding Officer Seeking Nomination Has Been Active One.

John McCourt, presiding judge of the circuit court, appointed last November by Governor Ocott to succeed the late Judge Calvin U. Gantenbein, rests his candidacy for republican nomination and election to the position he now holds in the fourth judicial district, comprising Multnomah county, on his record in office and as United States district attorney for Oregon.

"I cannot see that a candidate for judicial office has any business with a political slogan," said Judge McCourt, yesterday. "Performance, not promises, counts."

Through his tenure as presiding judge of the circuit court has been brief, Judge McCourt has attracted considerable attention by his refusal to consider trivial grounds sufficient for divorce. He has refused many divorces asked for minor reasons of incompatibility as he has granted decrees—an unusual procedure in the local court. The presiding judge hears all default divorces.

Sorenson Case Revisited.

In the notorious Nels P. Sorenson case in which a wealthy timberman appealed to the circuit court from a six months' jail sentence for reckless driving, Judge McCourt, sitting with five other circuit judges, formed, with Judge Tucker, the dissenting minority which held out for a jail sentence instead of a fine.

Judge McCourt began his public career as city attorney in Pendleton, Or., later becoming deputy district attorney for Umatilla county, first assistant attorney-general of Oregon from 1908 to 1912.

The judge came to Oregon from California in 1909, and in private practice of law was a member of the firm of McCourt & Bowerman, Salem, later with Bailley & McCourt, and after resignation from the office of federal attorney with Yeazie, McCourt & Yeazie. He was chairman of the grievance committee of the Oregon State bar association from 1914 to 1915.

Federal Service Cited.

In September, 1917, Judge McCourt was made a civilian representative of the war department for the enforcement of laws relating to the health and welfare of soldiers through appointment by the Postoffice commission and served actively in that capacity for about six months and thereafter in an advisory capacity throughout the war.

He took a prominent part in the controversy between the military authorities and the civil relations, and exerted an active influence in bringing about satisfactory conditions in Seattle.

During the time Judge McCourt was United States attorney for the district of Oregon he served as special assistant attorney-general of the United States to conduct the grand jury investigation of the United States Attorney of Idaho and was also given like authority in the investigation in Seattle of the merger of the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph company and the Northwestern Long Distance Telephone company and other telephone lines.

GEORGE B. CELLARS IN RACE

Portland Man Seeks Nomination for Multnomah Senator.

George B. Cellars, for 27 years a resident of Portland, is a candidate for the republican nomination for state senator for Multnomah county. Mr. Cellars, who served from 1907 to 1911 as a member of the city council, is especially interested in the development of the harbor facilities of Portland.

"I believe that the dock commission and the port of Portland commission should be consolidated and the duties of the two bodies somewhat overlap. I have no suggestion as to the number of members who should compose a consolidated board, nor how they should be appointed, but I do want to see honest, efficient, capable men with vision on such a consolidated body. Only a few thousand of the many people dwelling in Portland have seen the development in the lower harbor. Those who have taken the trouble to go over the ground realize the importance of this development to Oregon and the need for its expansion."

Mr. Cellars, when in the council, served on the ways and means committee and on the judiciary committee, being president of each of these committees. While he was a member of the ways and means committee, one of the few instances on record, being a councilman at large and not councilman for a ward, Mr. Cellars was a position in the general welfare of the city rather than to the interests of a particular section or ward. He declared that this enabled him to have a bird-eye view otherwise impossible.

57 VETERANS ORGANIZE

Members of Ambulance Train Meet at Clarendon Tavern.

Fifty-seven former members of the 25th ambulance train, a Portland unit, met at the Clarendon tavern to form a permanent organization at a meeting held at the Clarendon tavern Friday night.

Dr. Ernest Streit, the unit's first commanding officer, was chosen president, being president of each of these committees. While he was a member of the ways and means committee, one of the few instances on record, being a councilman at large and not councilman for a ward, Mr. Cellars was a position in the general welfare of the city rather than to the interests of a particular section or ward. He declared that this enabled him to have a bird-eye view otherwise impossible.

WARDEN ISSUED BY DISTRICT ATTORNEY

Partisans Must Keep Within Limits of Truth.

STATE STATUTE QUOTED

Letters, Circulars, Bills or Posters Relating to Election Require Name of Author Thereon.

While the political pot is boiling, strange plots may be brewing to take advantage of the election, and the possibility of District Attorney Evans last night issued a timely warning, calling attention to the provisions of the statute which prohibit the publication and circulation of any politically libelous matter.

State Law Severe.

A portion of the state law reads: "If any letter, circular, post, bill, publication or placard shall contain any false statement or charge reflecting on any candidate's character, morality or integrity, the author thereof and every printer or publisher who circulates the same shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished by imprisonment in the penitentiary for not less than one year nor more than three years."

The statute further requires that a man be arrested for a violation of this provision if he circulates the same to defend against the same by pleading justification, he must show that he honestly believed and had reasonable grounds to believe that the charges contained therein were true.

Author's Name Required.

"It may be well to call the attention of the public, also, to the fact that the same statute which prohibits the circulation of such libelous matter, also requires that the name of the author and publisher of such libelous matter be printed on the same, and that the name of the author and publisher of such libelous matter be printed on the same, and that the name of the author and publisher of such libelous matter be printed on the same."

HAMAKER BRINGING SUIT

REPUTATION ALLEGED INJURED TO EXTENT OF \$300,000.

The intimation of the Oregon Daily Journal that Gilbert E. Hamaker, chairman of the democratic county central committee, was sitting in a room in the city of Portland, Oregon, and was being visited by a number of men, who were being introduced to him by a man named Postmaster Meyers, and had allied himself with the Stanfield forces in an attempt to defeat Chamberlain's presidential nomination, resulted in the filing of a \$300,000 libel suit against the democratic newspaper in the circuit court yesterday.

By the statement in the Journal that the Stanfield campaign committee, headed by Mayor Gill and other democrats who are angered by the dismissal of Mr. Myers as postmaster, is endeavoring to interpret President Wilson's stand on the league of nations as an argument against the nomination and election of Senator Chamberlain, Hamaker asserts the newspaper intended to convey the idea that he was "a political graft."

GRUSADERS ARE COMING

SPELLBINDERS FROM CALIFORNIA DUE THIS WEEK.

Campaigners for Hiram Johnson Plan Brief but Energetic Drive for Candidate.

Spellbinders will swarm into Oregon this week from California to assist in the campaign of Senator Hiram W. Johnson in this state. The most prominent figure among the invaders will be Mayor James Rolph Jr. of San Francisco, who will be here tomorrow morning.

With but four days remaining before the primaries, the Johnson cohorts are determined to overlook no bet. The Johnson headquarters in California has figured that there is a good chance to carry Oregon, and this is the opinion of the Oregon management, and desirous of gathering in Oregon's ten delegates, it has been planning to take too much time in the past week.

WARDS OF STATE MORONS

INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL GIRLS FOUND WEAK-MINDED.

Feeble-Mindedness Discovered to Be 12 Times More Frequent Than in Society in General.

None of the girls in the state industrial school for girls at Salem is above the normal in intelligence and the feeble-minded are 12 times more numerous than in society at large.

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SAM A. KOZER
(Now Deputy Secretary of State)
Republican Candidate
For Secretary of State
QUALIFIED BY EXPERIENCE

Mr. Kozer is peculiarly fitted for the office of Secretary of State by reason of the fact that he has served for more than eight years as Deputy Secretary of State.

For the past 15 months Mr. Kozer has been in full charge of the Secretary of State's office and has made good. He should be nominated and elected in the interest of efficient public service economically administered, which he promises the people of the state to continue.

Mr. Kozer is eminently equipped by training and experience for the office of Secretary of State, and on these qualifications asks the support of the voters at the primaries, May 21, 1920.

(Paid Adv.)



Dr. Earl Smith.

I wish to show my appreciation and want to cite the fine support extended me by members of the medical profession the moment I made known that I would seek reelection as county coroner. In Sunday's Oregonian, May 2, appeared the list of 136 physicians who had given personal endorsement to my candidacy and conduct of the office. This was by no means all the physicians of Multnomah county who approve my record, as many more have since been added to the list.

If re-elected to serve a second term, I will conduct affairs of the office and the public more just as in the past, as efficient and economical as I know. Republican electors are requested at the primaries to vote No. 154.

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Oliver M. Hickey

As a candidate for Republican nomination for representative at the convention, I stand for the "people's choice" for president, as expressed by the majority of voters of Oregon, under the preferential primary law.

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W. R. McDONALD
REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE FOR JOINT REPRESENTATIVE FROM MULTNOMAH AND CLACKAMAS COUNTIES.

Republican candidate for JOINT REPRESENTATIVE FROM MULTNOMAH AND CLACKAMAS COUNTIES, has been engaged in the general insurance business for the past ten years in Portland. He has never before been candidate for public office.

MEMBER OF E. P. O. ELKS PORTLAND LODGE, NO. 2, A. F. AND M. W. M. KNIGHTS COMMANDERY NO. 1, KNIGHTS TEMPLAR, AKKADER, TEMPLE OF THE SHINE; GUL RAIZEE GROTTO, NO. 65.

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Your Support Will Be Appreciated.

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Republican Candidate for Sheriff

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